
Subject: Liberty Khaki Strap Box
Posted by [JackW](#) on Mon, 06 Jan 2020 18:40:59 GMT
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I got this from eBay the other week:

The strap is also shown in the ad here:

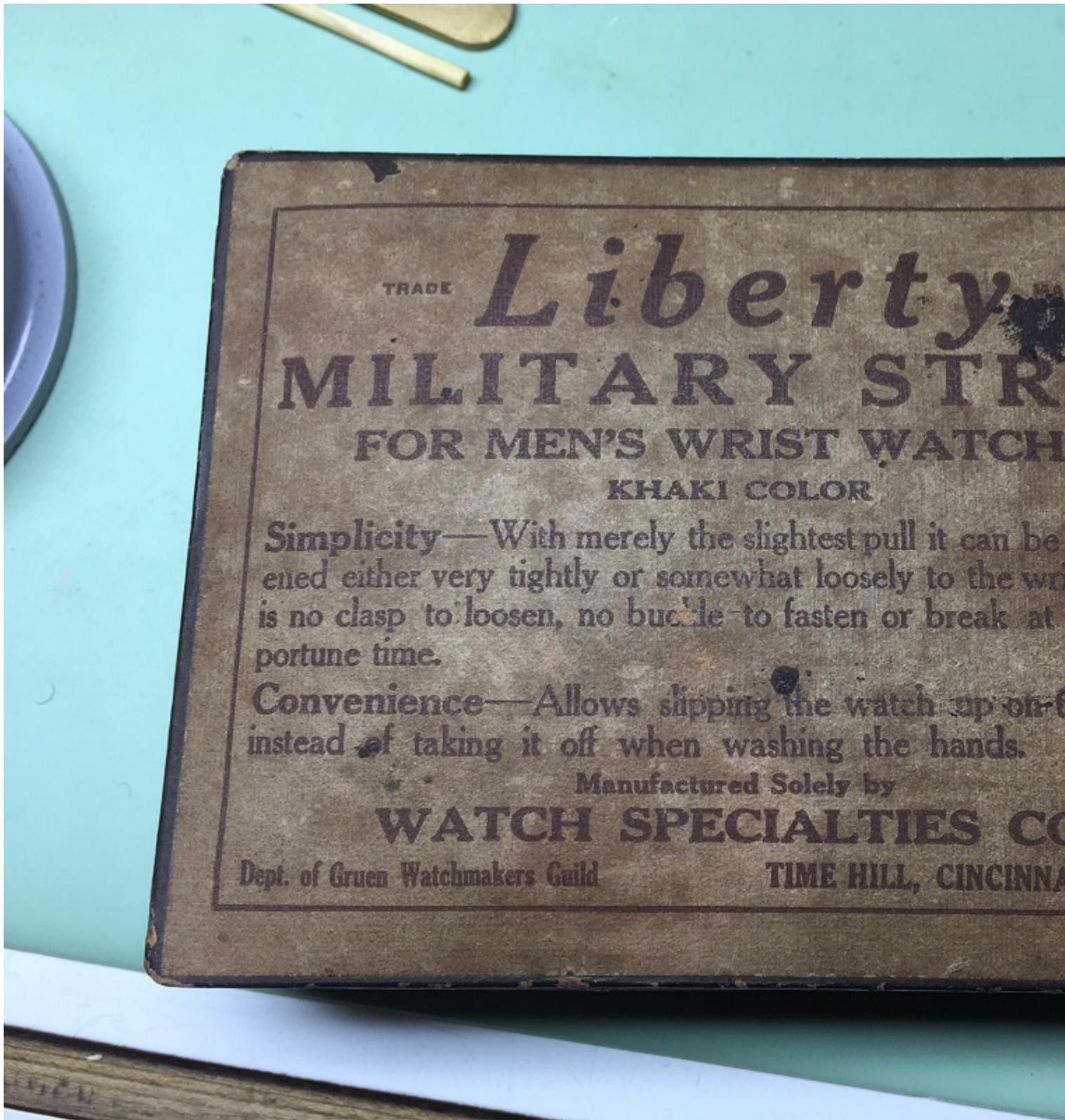
http://vintagegruen.org/vgforum/index.php?t=msg&th=343&am;goto=1426&#msg_1426

I'd love to see an original one. I snagged an original WWI strap with the J.F. Sturdy buckle. The site also shows the Gruen "Liberty strap": [LINK](#). I've been able to make reproductions of both. the Gruen one, is far simpler than the others. Seems to be just a simple buckle:

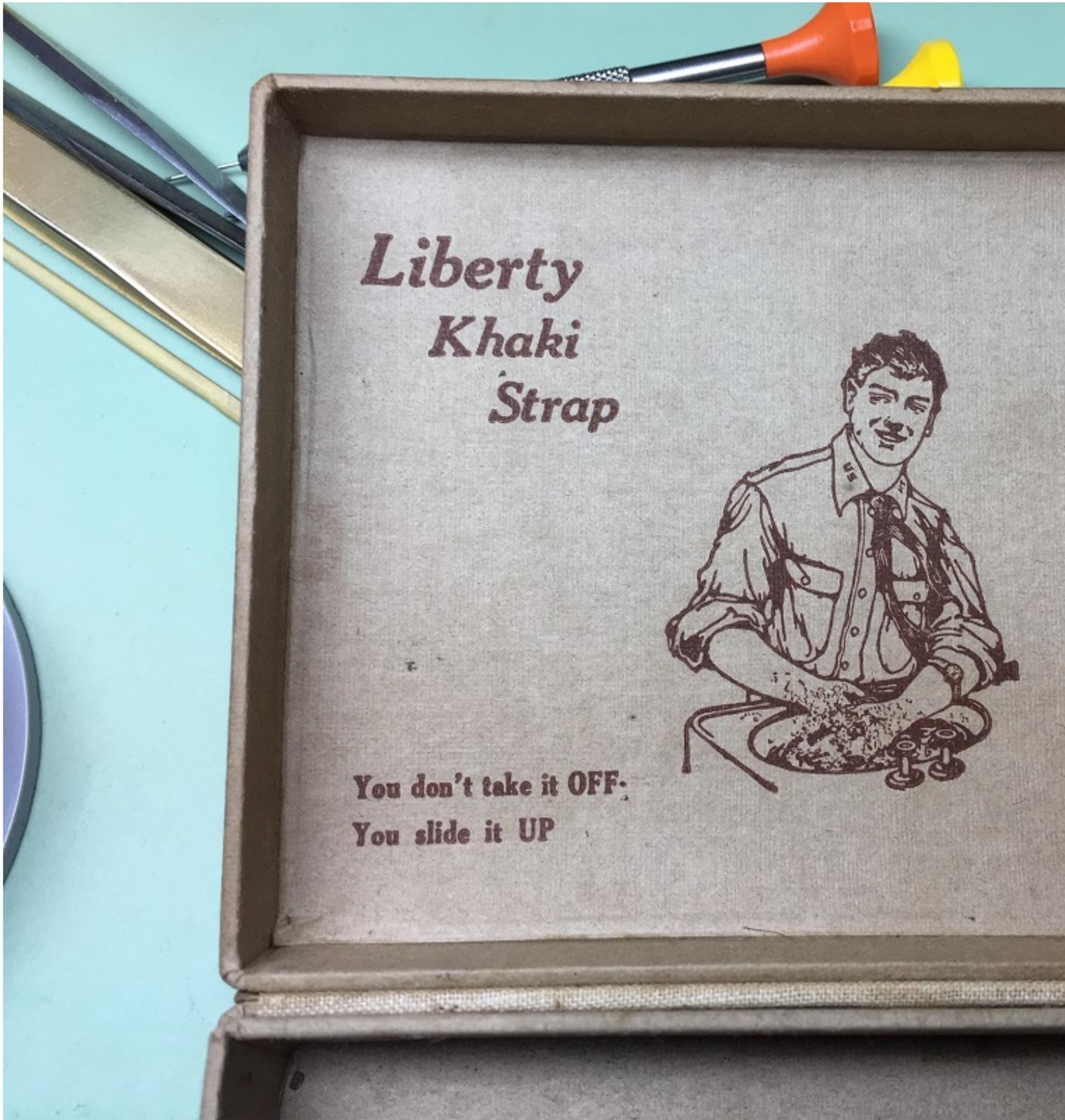
Anyone have an original?

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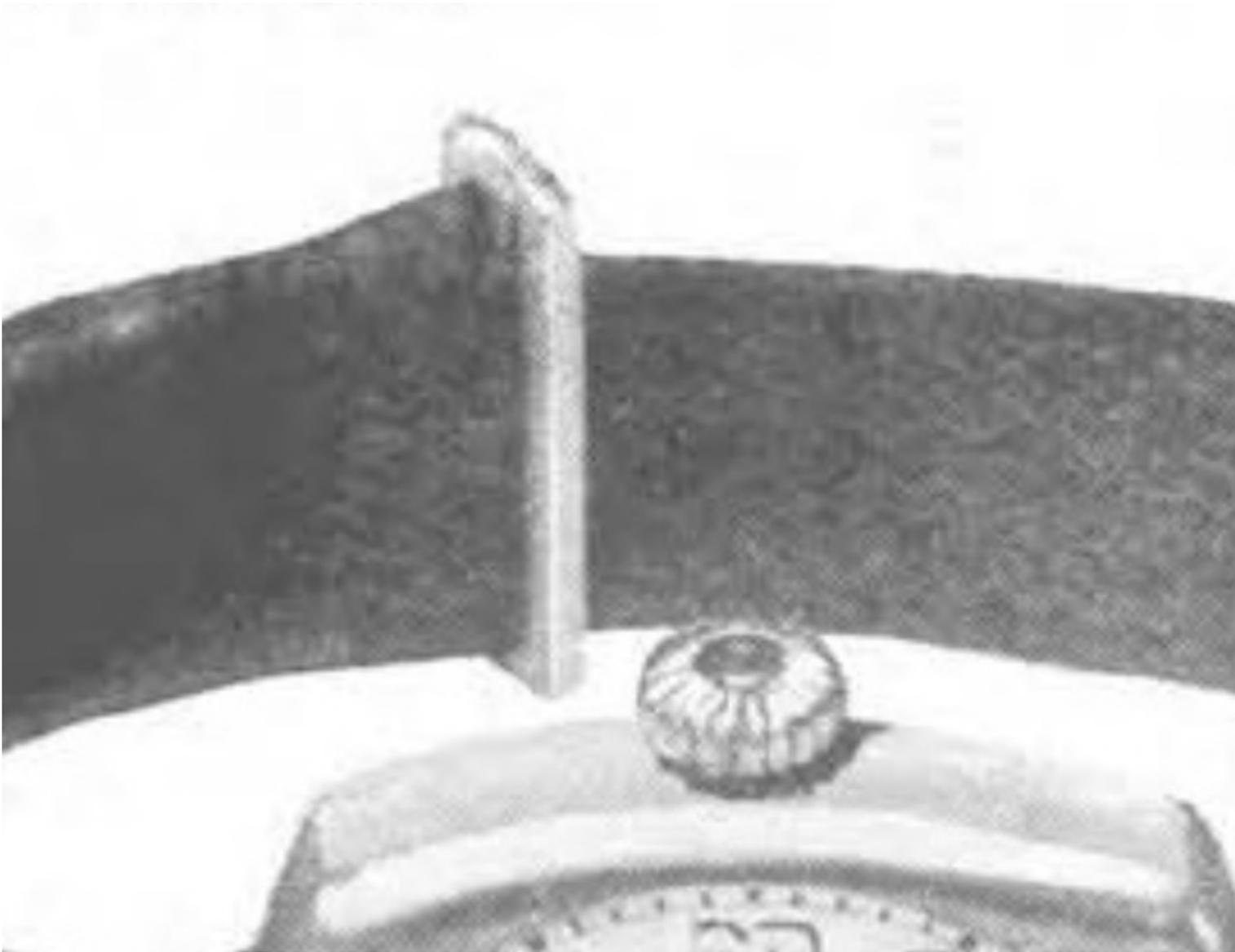
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Posted by [Jenneke](#) on Tue, 07 Jan 2020 20:50:41 GMT
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That is a nice find. Shame there is no content.

The buckle looks like one part of the ladies ribbon clasp, without the "horns".. (Sliding clip)

Subject: Re: More ephemera
Posted by [Gary](#) on Fri, 22 Aug 2025 21:27:49 GMT
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Browsing through old newspapers I found this. I don't believe Gruen named this watch and they were referring to the strap. They have an option for a Kitchener strap. Along with the Liberty strap option.

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1) [The Oklahoma City times \(Oklahoma City, Okla.\), August 23, 1918, \(LATE STREET EDITION\).jpg](#), downloaded 1087 times



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Subject: Re: More ephemera

Posted by [JackW](#) on Sat, 23 Aug 2025 18:22:43 GMT

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August 1918. That's pretty cool date. Solidly within WWI for the US. Do totally agree that the ad is referring to the strap.
